

§ 96.175 Petitions.

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b)(2) of this section, the CAIR designated representative of a CAIR NO_x unit that is subject to an Acid Rain emissions limitation may submit a petition under § 75.66 of this chapter to the Administrator requesting approval to apply an alternative to any requirement of this subpart. Application of an alternative to any requirement of this subpart is in accordance with this subpart only to the extent that the petition is approved in writing by the Administrator, in consultation with the permitting authority.

(b)(1) The CAIR designated representative of a CAIR NO_x unit that is not subject to an Acid Rain emissions limitation may submit a petition under § 75.66 of this chapter to the permitting authority and the Administrator requesting approval to apply an alternative to any requirement of this subpart. Application of an alternative to any requirement of this subpart is in accordance with this subpart only to the extent that the petition is approved in writing by both the permitting authority and the Administrator.

(2) The CAIR designated representative of a CAIR NO_x unit that is subject to an Acid Rain emissions limitation may submit a petition under § 75.66 of this chapter to the permitting authority and the Administrator requesting approval to apply an alternative to a requirement concerning any additional continuous emission monitoring system required under § 75.72 of this chapter. Application of an alternative to any such requirement is in accordance with this subpart only to the extent that the petition is approved in writing by both the permitting authority and the Administrator.

Subpart II—CAIR NO_x Opt-in Units

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§ 96.180 Applicability.

A CAIR NO_x opt-in unit must be a unit that:

- (a) Is located in the State;
- (b) Is not a CAIR NO_x unit under § 96.104 and is not covered by a retired

unit exemption under § 96.105 that is in effect;

(c) Is not covered by a retired unit exemption under § 72.8 of this chapter that is in effect;

(d) Has or is required or qualified to have a title V operating permit or other federally enforceable permit; and

(e) Vents all of its emissions to a stack and can meet the monitoring, recordkeeping, and reporting requirements of subpart HH of this part.

§ 96.181 General.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in §§ 96.101 through 96.104, §§ 96.106 through 96.108, and subparts BB and CC and subparts FF through HH of this part, a CAIR NO_x opt-in unit shall be treated as a CAIR NO_x unit for purposes of applying such sections and subparts of this part.

(b) Solely for purposes of applying, as provided in this subpart, the requirements of subpart HH of this part to a unit for which a CAIR opt-in permit application is submitted and not withdrawn and a CAIR opt-in permit is not yet issued or denied under this subpart, such unit shall be treated as a CAIR NO_x unit before issuance of a CAIR opt-in permit for such unit.

§ 96.182 CAIR designated representative.

Any CAIR NO_x opt-in unit, and any unit for which a CAIR opt-in permit application is submitted and not withdrawn and a CAIR opt-in permit is not yet issued or denied under this subpart, located at the same source as one or more CAIR NO_x units shall have the same CAIR designated representative and alternate CAIR designated representative as such CAIR NO_x units.

§ 96.183 Applying for CAIR opt-in permit.

(a) *Applying for initial CAIR opt-in permit.* The CAIR designated representative of a unit meeting the requirements for a CAIR NO_x opt-in unit in § 96.180 may apply for an initial CAIR opt-in permit at any time, except as provided under § 96.186(f) and (g), and, in order to apply, must submit the following:

- (1) A complete CAIR permit application under § 96.122;

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(2) A certification, in a format specified by the permitting authority, that the unit:

(i) Is not a CAIR NO_x unit under § 96.104 and is not covered by a retired unit exemption under § 96.105 that is in effect;

(ii) Is not covered by a retired unit exemption under § 72.8 of this chapter that is in effect;

(iii) Vents all of its emissions to a stack, and

(iv) Has documented heat input for more than 876 hours during the 6 months immediately preceding submission of the CAIR permit application under § 96.122;

(3) A monitoring plan in accordance with subpart HH of this part;

(4) A complete certificate of representation under § 96.113 consistent with § 96.182, if no CAIR designated representative has been previously designated for the source that includes the unit; and

(5) A statement, in a format specified by the permitting authority, whether the CAIR designated representative requests that the unit be allocated CAIR NO_x allowances under § 96.188(b) or § 96.188(c) (subject to the conditions in §§ 96.184(h) and 96.186(g)). If allocation under § 96.188(c) is requested, this statement shall include a statement that the owners and operators of the unit intend to repower the unit before January 1, 2015 and that they will provide, upon request, documentation demonstrating such intent.

(b) *Duty to reapply.* (1) The CAIR designated representative of a CAIR NO_x opt-in unit shall submit a complete CAIR permit application under § 96.122 to renew the CAIR opt-in unit permit in accordance with the permitting authority's regulations for title V operating permits, or the permitting authority's regulations for other federally enforceable permits if applicable, addressing permit renewal.

(2) Unless the permitting authority issues a notification of acceptance or withdrawal of the CAIR NO_x opt-in unit from the CAIR NO_x Annual Trading Program in accordance with § 96.186 or the unit becomes a CAIR NO_x unit under § 96.104, the CAIR NO_x opt-in unit shall remain subject to the requirements for a CAIR NO_x opt-in unit, even

if the CAIR designated representative for the CAIR NO_x opt-in unit fails to submit a CAIR permit application that is required for renewal of the CAIR opt-in permit under paragraph (b)(1) of this section.

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§ 96.184 Opt-in process.

The permitting authority will issue or deny a CAIR opt-in permit for a unit for which an initial application for a CAIR opt-in permit under § 96.183 is submitted in accordance with the following:

(a) *Interim review of monitoring plan.* The permitting authority and the Administrator will determine, on an interim basis, the sufficiency of the monitoring plan accompanying the initial application for a CAIR opt-in permit under § 96.183. A monitoring plan is sufficient, for purposes of interim review, if the plan appears to contain information demonstrating that the NO_x emissions rate and heat input of the unit and all other applicable parameters are monitored and reported in accordance with subpart HH of this part. A determination of sufficiency shall not be construed as acceptance or approval of the monitoring plan.

(b) *Monitoring and reporting.* (1)(i) If the permitting authority and the Administrator determine that the monitoring plan is sufficient under paragraph (a) of this section, the owner or operator shall monitor and report the NO_x emissions rate and the heat input of the unit and all other applicable parameters, in accordance with subpart HH of this part, starting on the date of certification of the appropriate monitoring systems under subpart HH of this part and continuing until a CAIR opt-in permit is denied under § 96.184(f) or, if a CAIR opt-in permit is issued, the date and time when the unit is withdrawn from the CAIR NO_x Annual Trading Program in accordance with § 96.186.

(ii) The monitoring and reporting under paragraph (b)(1)(i) of this section shall include the entire control period immediately before the date on which the unit enters the CAIR NO_x Annual Trading Program under § 96.184(g), during which period monitoring system